

Next Week Will Show if Griffmen Are 'Hold-Outs'--Inter-League Games Many

GRIFF WILL SOON LEARN SOMETHING

If His Players Refuse to Sign Contracts, Definite News Comes Early.

FULTZ FORGETS WARFARE

Jack Barry, New Red Sox Manager, Makes Tiny Fortune in Title Series.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Manager Griffith, who is due to arrive home tonight, will begin sending out 1917 contracts Monday and, if there is anything to this decision of the players to hold out, the Old Fox should have definite information before a week is gone.

Jim Shaw is wintering in this city. If he turns down his contract, or fails to put his name to it, it will not take manager Griffith long to learn it.

Ray Morgan lives in Baltimore, but visits Washington frequently. If he is a holdout, his boss will be informed early.

Eddie Foster is spending a vacation in Chicago and is not expected to return to the castle of Mayor Martin, of Cherrydale, Va., until the last of the present month. His contract will probably be kept until he shows up in the Capital.

Fultz is Forgetful.

Dave Fultz, president of the Baseball Players' Fraternity, is inclined to forget his fulminations against the national commission. For several weeks he has hurled his verbal thunderbolts at the devoted heads of the supreme court. Then, learning that the commission had spurned the four demands of the players' fraternity, Dave remarked, daintily, something like this:

"I haven't seen an official copy of the 1917 contract, but the change in the contract relative to payment of players injured or incapacitated is highly satisfactory to both officers and members of the fraternity. There's nothing very warlike about this."

He Doesn't Understand.

"I do not understand," said Fultz, "the reference to the request being dismissed because the condition complained of does not and cannot exist, followed immediately by the statement that the 1917 contract contains a new clause rectifying the very injustice of which the fraternity complained. If the conditions complained of have been removed, as stated, however, the method of reasoning is immaterial."

The dismissal of the requests that referred to conditions under the jurisdiction of the National Association was, broadly, a semi-legal technicality. It will be followed by an appeal to the National Commission, on the part of the players, from the resolutions of the National Association, which will have the effect of bringing the entire matter before the commission again in the form of an appeal, as outlined in the statement issued by that body.

Barry Makes Fortune.

In eight years of professional baseball, Jack Barry, the newest manager of the world's champion Boston Red Sox, has shared in six title series, collecting a total of \$18,703.04 over and above his salary. Playing on six championship teams in eight years of life on the diamond, establishes a record few will ever equal.

Here are the various sums Barry has obtained from his world's series since 1910:

1910.....	\$2,062.29
1911.....	2,264.37
1912.....	2,264.37
1913.....	2,264.37
1914.....	2,264.37
1915.....	2,264.37
1916.....	2,264.37
Total.....	\$18,703.04

WHI Sign Up Today.

Barry will sign up as the Red Sox manager today. It is believed that his salary will be in the neighborhood of \$10,000, putting him up among the best-paid leaders in baseball.

"Just wire me, and I will be on hand, if you think my presence will help any to bring the team to a championship," is what Bill Carrigan has said to Harry Frazee, thereby making the most unique offer in the history of baseball. To have a banker willing at any time to assist in the handling of a major league ball team, accepting no money for his work, either, sets a record all its own.

It is extremely doubtful, though, if Carrigan ever again appears on a major league bench. Jack Barry will hardly be willing to share any of the duties of his job, preferring to sink or swim on his own merits. His friends are certain in their own minds that he will be a successful manager.

Use Moral Sanction.

If you would succeed as a big league manager, use moral sanction. Put the athletes on their honor. That's Fred Mitchell's system which is to be tried by the Chicago Cubs this coming summer.

"I shall lay down no training rules for my players," says Mitchell. "I expect each man to keep in good condition for his best work, that's all the training I expect. If a player doesn't take care of himself, the result will show in his work. But I am not strong for rules and regulations."

Most big league clubs are run on similar systems. Individual likes and dislikes of managers appear in their rules here and there, but the average big league is treated more as a man than as a boy.

BOYS' "Y" WINS ONE.

The Phi team of the Fraternity Basketball League proved no match for the Boys' "Y" team at the Y. M. C. A. last night, dropping a 45 to 22 contest.

RICKARD IN DOUBT

Doesn't Exactly Know What to Do About Carpenter Bout

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Tex Rickard today is wavering on the edge of uncertainty regarding a match between Georges Carpentier, the French champion, and Les Darcy, the Australian pugilist. Following a United Press dispatch from Paris which told of Carpentier's poor condition, Rickard has received information that Carpentier has not applied for a furlough, and that no one else has attempted to get a leave for the boxer soldier.

Rickard is now virtually convinced it will be impossible to get the Frenchman across the Atlantic. He has not entirely abandoned hope, but he realizes that, with Darcy here, and that no one else has attempted to get a leave for the boxer soldier, Rickard is now virtually convinced it will be impossible to get the Frenchman across the Atlantic.

Rickard looks with considerable favor on Jack Dillon or Billy Miske as an opponent for Darcy, but it is hardly probable one of these high-class men will be used as a trial horse for the Antipodean. Al McCoy, the Brooklyn night champion, is believed to be the ideal man.

Darcy, meanwhile, is working on a vaudeville sketch.

NAVY SCHEDULE IS POORLY BALANCED

No Really Strong Eleven Will Be Played at Crucial Part of Season.

ANNAPOLIS, Jan. 6.—Washington athletic circles will be more than usually interested in the schedule of the Naval Academy football team for 1917, as it calls for games with three Washington institutions. Catholic University plays at Annapolis on October 6, and Maryland State College, a week later. Georgetown plays the Midshipmen on November 3, next to the last game on the Annapolis grounds.

As the matter stands, the game will be played at Annapolis, though a strong effort is being made to have the game played in Washington. Lieut. C. E. Smith, officer in charge of athletics at the academy, has expressed himself in favor of playing in Washington, but the permission of the Secretary of the Navy is necessary.

The season will open on September 22, with Dickinson as an opponent. Washington and Lee will play on October 20, and a game with Rutgers is tentatively arranged for October 27. Western Reserve will play on November 3, and Villanova on the seventeenth of the same month.

Few Topnotchers.

It will be seen that none of the teams rated as absolute topnotchers appears on the schedule, but the Navy team is likely to have all it wants when it meets Washington and Lee, Rutgers and Georgetown.

Maryland State is likely to give a good strong pull, while Western Reserve and Villanova may have good years, as they have before, and bring a team of merit to Annapolis.

Undoubtedly, the schedule is well arranged to keep the team working, but it is felt that it would have been well to have arranged, if possible, a game with one of the very strongest teams about midseason.

The Naval Academy, management made every effort to retain the game with the University of Pittsburgh, and also tried to secure Princeton or Pennsylvania. A game could have been secured with any of these, if the Naval Academy eleven could agree to a return game the following season. This, the authorities would not permit.

Becoming More Difficult.

The local management admits that it is getting harder all the time to make up a schedule such as it would like. Teams find the Annapolis trip a long and expensive one, and the game at the end of it a hard one. As they have no opportunity of making good the expense by a game on their own grounds in odd years, they are not showing much readiness to play at the Academy, particularly as the Navy is in a position to pay large guarantees.

It is denied here that any special campaign for noted football players is being waged, though any who desire to enter the Academy will find it difficult to get in. There is no way, in fact, by which naval officers could secure appointments if they wished. It is admitted that there is some ground for believing that Corey, the University of Nebraska tackle, may take the entrance examinations, but it is insisted that not a thing is known of any intentions on the part of Harley, Ohio State, Camp's choice for All-America fullback, or McCleight, the Washington and Jefferson back, to come to the Academy.

Incidentally, there are persistent rumors here that both Oliphant and Vidal will leave the Military Academy before another service game is played.

LAST NIGHT'S CRACKS.

Larkin, Washington Gas.....	152
Roecker, Washington Gas.....	137
Vaeth, Grand Central.....	136
Scribner, Washington Gas.....	136
Bell, Resolute.....	135
Williams, Resolute.....	134
Simms, Cannon Ball.....	134
Dudley, Resolute.....	133
Clematis, Contract.....	133
Green, Grand Central.....	129
Cox, Hecht.....	128
Lyons, Station F.....	127
Works, Raftery.....	127
Lare, Resolute.....	127
Chester, Foundry.....	127
Farrow, 17th Street Stars.....	126
Sherrill, 17th Street Stars.....	126
Mayhew, Grand Central.....	125

WHERE THEY ROLL.

Postoffice—Substitutes vs. Postmasters, at Postoffice.
Capital City—Easterns vs. Jewels, at Rathskeller.

CENTRAL DEFEATED BY EASTERN QUINT

Business Also Hands Western a Licking in High School Basketball Opener.

To Eastern High School goes the honor of having first defeated the veteran Stenographer combination to a closer score than was looked for.

It was Eastern, however, which gave the capacity audience its greatest thrills. Coach Bill McCaffrey, of Eastern, came forward with explanation after the game which made the victory all the more creditable.

Business hands defeated Western by 21 to 12. The Business victory was expected and Western led the veteran Stenographer combination to a closer score than was looked for.

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Practice Inadequate.

In comparison with Central's finely appointed gymnasium the Eastern hall is a joke. So limited is the space that Eastern is forced to play with baskets but eight feet from the floor on account of the low ceiling at the Capitol Hill gym.

That Eastern's passing game was the best of the afternoon goes without question. The midgets shot accurately when uncovered rather than taking pot shots. McCaffrey explained that the big "Y" gym had his youngsters completely guessing during the first half which ended 13 to 8 in Central's favor.

The second half was a complete revelation for the supporters of both team. Eastern took on new life, and with Baldwin, Thomas and Newman playing a superb passing game, completely stopped Central.

Gain Top Honors.

At the beginning of the third quarter Eastern had crawled up to within striking distance of Central. Cummings, Newman, Thomas, and Baldwin outdid themselves in keeping control of the ball and smothered Central in the efforts of White, Daley, and Gottlieb to shoot. Central rapidly lost steam when Thomas and Earnshaw shot two in succession, putting Eastern at 20 to 12.

Two more points were added when Solomon, substituted for Sam Gottlieb, got a floor goal and Daley caged a free toss. Eastern annexed another basket when Thomas tallied, and the game was won. Eastern's performance was meritorious at all stages of the game. The youngsters had plenty of fight throughout and swept the big Central team off its feet.

Business Too Heavy.

Business was much too heavy for Western and the sheer power of attack smothered Western throughout the game. It is true that Buck Wise and MacDonald were forced out of the game on personal fouls. Business committed fourteen during the game, a record in interscholastic league games.

Western weakened considerably in the second half. The first score 13 to 0 in favor of Business. Johnstone's foul shooting had kept Western in the running. In the second half he fell down on all seven chances, and so lost a chance for the Westerners to make up ground.

Buck Wise and Ralph Wise, with MacDonald and Towbes, played well for Business. Buck Wise got three baskets from the floor, while Ralph Wise, Towbes and Towbes made two, Business got seven baskets from the floor, Johnstone making two and Chamberlain making one.

LEAVE FOR CUBA.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—John McGraw, manager of the Giants, and Christy Mathewson, manager of the Cincinnati Reds, will sail today for Cuba, where they will spend several weeks. They will be joined later by Mike Donlin, who will try to get a team of Giant recruits for baseball games.

LAST NIGHT'S PERFORMANCES ON BOWLING ALLEYS

DISTRICT LEAGUE.	Grand Central.	C. & P. TEL. CO. LEAGUE.	Washington League.
Resolute.....	114 86 127	Contract.....	101 82 104
Lane.....	108 125 86	Livingston.....	101 82 104
Bel.....	128 120 93	Sands.....	101 82 104
Farrell.....	104 112 86	Ward.....	101 82 104
Farrow.....	95 86 96	Langdon.....	101 82 104
Totals.....	528 533	Clements.....	101 82 104
SOUTHEAST LEAGUE.		Totals.....	457 454
Cannon Ball.....	112 110 91	Intercontinental.....	101 82 104
Fry.....	112 110 91	Phillips.....	101 82 104
Kapnick.....	112 110 91	Hunter.....	101 82 104
Dudley.....	104 104 86	Ward.....	101 82 104
Whalley.....	96 96 106	F. Fraber.....	101 82 104
Totals.....	528 533	Totals.....	457 454
POSTOFFICE LEAGUE.		Construction.....	101 82 104
Registry.....	107 100 92	Hovells.....	101 82 104
Burns.....	96 82 92	Zebely.....	101 82 104
Demet.....	104 82 92	Langdon.....	101 82 104
Miller.....	97 102 92	Ford.....	101 82 104
Jarmett.....	97 82 84	Totals.....	492 491
Mayor.....	97 82 84	COMMERCIAL LEAGUE.	
Totals.....	492 491	Hecht & Co.....	101 82 104
ANACOSTIA LEAGUE.		Loveless.....	101 82 104
Highlands.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Naylor.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Farrell.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Ward.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Rusk.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Manley.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Totals.....	444 444	Reuter.....	101 82 104
17th Street Stars.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Lusby.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Verithall.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Williams.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Dudley.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Sherrill.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Totals.....	444 444	Reuter.....	101 82 104
SECURITY BANK LEAGUE.		Reuter.....	101 82 104
Security Bank.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Humphreys.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Shippley.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Prim.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
E. Balle.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
J. Balle.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Totals.....	444 444	Reuter.....	101 82 104
PALACE TWO-MAN LEAGUE.		Reuter.....	101 82 104
Henderson.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Shepard.....	88 88 88	Reuter.....	101 82 104
Totals.....	444 444	Reuter.....	101 82 104

BOB THAYER'S Sporting Gossip

Here's to you, Jack Barry. May you achieve all the success possible!

Appointing Barry manager of the Red Sox, Harry Frazee shows wisdom, for it is doubtful if any infielder in the American League starts in upon the duties of his position with more chances of turning out a winner.

Barry is still a young man, but he is a veteran in baseball. He possesses the spirit that accompanies a victor. He is known as a "great money player."

In baseball circles this phrase means he is always at the right spot in the pinches. He delivers the goods at the proper time. Whether or not his responsibilities as a leader will injure his playing around the key-stone sack will not be known for a few months, but certainly his many excellent qualities as a man and as an athlete lead one to paint a bright future for him.

Are you going to be among those who are taking in the double bill at Annapolis today? Navy plays Yale and Gallaudet battles St. John's College.

What is all this stir about a professional football league? That major league parks might be used for professional football games is far from new. Many have been so used for many years. But that the various big league baseball clubs should take a financial interest in floating a professional football league is quite another thing. Most ball clubs have all they can do to make a living during a season of six months. They will hardly undertake an experiment lasting, at most, eight or ten weeks.

Also, please remember that the Stove League's season was never warmer than it is this winter.

A good little man is always better than an ordinary big man. Ask Central High School about the Easterners?

The popularity of schoolboy basketball has never better demonstrated than at yesterday's double bill at the Y. M. C. A. Both games were well conducted and were close enough to not only satisfy the most exacting fan, but the winner was in doubt up to the last few minutes of play. In contrast to the practice games the excellent officiating was noticeable.

Prof. Beckett and "Shorty" Hughes kept the youngsters within their limits and all of the teams learned a few things. No decisions were questioned. The capacity crowd got a good look at two well-conducted games and this will go far toward putting the sport on a high plane here.

And Fred Alexander says that if Connie Doyle had the opportunity to play in big tournaments he would rank one two three. Which is high praise.

As another year starts off we cannot but reflect on the benefits that would be derived from a big stadium here for all sorts of sports and other activities. A big stadium for the city where the high schools could stage their football and baseball games, colleges could hold their outdoor track meets and where the Army-Navy football game could be played, would do much for the athletes here.

Washington could and should be the mecca for northern college track teams for their spring workouts. Healthy interest would come if suitable provision were made for sports on a large scale. The Army-Navy football game should be played here. Build the stadium in Potomac Park and the matter of having the service elevators here will take care of itself.

It would be unnecessary for the high schools to be forced to accept the gratuity of colleges here for the use of fields for football and baseball.

COLUMBIA ASKING BIG TENNIS EVENT

U. S. L. T. A. Governing Board May Rule Out Doubles Championship Tourney Here.

Upon the action of the governing board of the U. S. Lawn Tennis Association at the meeting scheduled in New York one month, hence will the Middle Atlantic sectional doubles championship, held last year at Columbia Country Club, depend.

Washington is not in high favor with the U. S. L. T. A., on account of the fact that the Columbia Country Club obtained the tournament, won last year by Conrad D. Doyle and Henry C. Breck, and then failed to meet other sectional doubles winners.

Breck was unable to go for on account of business reasons and the trip was called off. A. Y. Leach, Jr., of Columbia, worked hard for several years to obtain the event here, giving his promise that the winners, if Washington men, would surely go to Chicago.

Laugh On Leach.

The Columbia Country Club tennis committee chairman admits the laugh is on him and will require a deal of explaining when he goes to the New York meeting. At the same time Columbia is boldly going forward to ask for the same event this year.

As a matter of record the executive committee of the U. S. L. T. A. has asked that there be no sectional doubles championships decided this year. It is pointed out that all doubles teams should be started in an all-comers tournament such as is played for the national championship.

If the governing board will take this up at the meeting February 9, Washington may not get the event, even if Mr. Leach is able to explain why his winners did not go to Chicago last summer.

Asks For Tourneys.

Columbia Country Club will ask for the annual Middle Atlantic States singles championship event and the doubles event just the same. It is planned to hold the tournament on or near May 30 starting play in singles May 30 if possible. The fall tournament has been set for Labor Day which is September 3 this year.

It is not unlikely that the District tournament usually held a week after the Columbia Country Club event will be staged somewhat earlier this season. This will probably affect the schedule of the Suburban League and the Washington Tennis Association matches as well as those in the Departmental League.

Will Meet Shortly.

Next month will find all of the local tennis organizations getting in line for their schedules. While tennis is practically a dead issue at present many of the cracks are finding time to spend a few hours a week in indoor work at the Y. M. C. A., where last year's workouts were taken.

It has been rumored that the Departmental League will cut down its schedule and the number of teams in the circuit. Thirteen teams took part last year with unusual success. The schedule ran from early May to late August.

The big circuit may also play matches every day after 4:30 p. m. instead of three times a week beginning at 2:15 p. m. These matters will probably be taken up at the meeting next month.

DONLIN MAY MANAGE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Mike Donlin, former Giant star, may be next manager of the Memphis Southern Association club. The Tennessee club's owners are dickering with Donlin and he is ready to accept terms.

MOHAWKS TO PLAY.

The Mohawk Athletic Club quint will play the Terminal Y. M. C. A. five a basketball game tonight in the latter's gymnasium.

DROP HILLTOPPERS

Harvard Nine Will Meet Navy, Virginia, and C. U. on Spring Trip.

Harvard's official baseball schedule for 1917, announced today, shows that Georgetown and Tufts have been dropped from the list. The Crimson team has generally played at least one game at the Hilltop each spring.

On April 17 Harvard will be at Charlottesville. On the next day Navy will be played, and on April 19 the Brooklanders will entertain the Cantabrigians.

April 10, Boston National League team; April 11, Bowdoin; 12, Maine; 14, West Point at West Point; 17, Virginia at Charlottesville, Va.; 18, Navy, at Annapolis; 19, Johns Hopkins at Baltimore; 21, Columbia at New York; 24, Bates; 25, Colby; 28, Vermont.

May 1, Catholic University; 3, Virginia; 5, Pennsylvania at Philadelphia; 9, Holy Cross at Worcester; 12, Brown; 16, Syracuse; 19, Princeton; 23, Dartmouth; 26, Princeton at Princeton; 30, Brown at Providence, R. I.

June 2, Pennsylvania; 5, Williams; 7, Amherst; 12, Boston College at Newton (conditional); 13, Princeton in case of tie; 15, Boston College; 19, Yale at New Haven; 20, Yale; 23, Yale at New York (in case of tie).

Rolls a Big Game.

To Start Duck Set.

Larkin Gets 152, 121, and 107 for 380 Total—Simms and Roedecker Shine.

Larkin, of the Washington Gas Light Company's team, has the chance of a life time to make a duckpin record last night, when he started his set against the Security Savings Bank quint, in the Independent League, with a 152 game. He followed this exceptional string with a mark of 121 and wound up with 107, giving him a set of 380.

Simms, of the Cannon Ball, in the Southeast League was not so sensational as Larkin, but he topped only five pins less than the latter, when his team battled Southland. Simms started his set with only 71, but obtained 134 in each of the two succeeding games for a total of 375.

Roedecker is Star.